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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ASCAP ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL

MS. GLORIA MESSENGER, ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS, AUTHORS AND PUBLISHERS (ASCAP) PLANS TO CALL ON THE TREASURY ATTACHE THE MORNING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, TO DISCUSS A DISPUTE THAT ASCAP IS HAVING WITH THE FRENCH TAX AUTHORITIES. ACCORDING TO ASCAP, THE FRENCH HAVE ASSESSED BACK TAXES (VAT) ON THE FEES COLLECTED FOR ASCAP MEMBERS. ASCAP STATES THAT THE FEES REPRESENT PAYMENT TO PUBLISHERS, WHICH THE FRENCH CLAIM TAXABLE AS COMMERCIAL INCOME, BUT ALSO COPYRIGHT ROYALTIES WHICH SHOULD NOT BE TAXED. MS. MESSENGER WILL FURNISH ADDITIONAL DETAILS UPON HER ARRIVAL.  
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